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News Advisory

Teens Share Stories of Dating Violence

WHAT: The Utah Department of Health (UDOH) and Utah Dating Violence Task Force will hold a press conference to share stories of teens who have experienced an abusive dating relationship.

WHY: Nearly 11% of 9th-12th graders in Utah reported being hit, slapped, or physically hurt on purpose by their boyfriend or girlfriend in 2009.

WHO: Speakers include:

- Jessica Colwell, Peer Leadership Team, Murray High School
- Sara, survivor of a violent dating relationship
- Bonita, survivor of a violent dating relationship
- Nubia Pena, Victim Advocate, Unified Police Department

WHEN: Monday, February 14, 2011
1:00-1:30 p.m.

Speakers will be available for interviews after the press conference.

WHERE: Murray High School
5440 South State St.
Murray, UT

The press conference will be held in the library/media center located on the first floor. Enter through the school's main entrance and take the staircase on your immediate left.

NOTE: Copies of the "Teen Dating Violence: It Happens in Utah" booklet will be available at the press conference. The booklet contains stories of teens who have experienced an abusive dating relationship.

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